

Our Safeguarding Framework

What we have in place:

- Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO) and Deputy Safeguarding Officer, plus Key Safeguarding staff
- Extensive child and vulnerable adult Safeguarding Policy that applies to all staff and volunteers, including Trustees and Board of Governors Representatives, committees, and appointed supporters
- Policy is monitored in relation to effectiveness to ensure it is current, known, and used
- Safer recruitment - including standard DBS checks
- All staff, volunteers and trustees receive an introduction to Safeguarding during their induction
- A clear framework in place that outlines the practice and procedures for staff and volunteers to prevent abuse and exploitation of children and vulnerable adults who are supported by the Charity, and provide a clear framework for action when abuse is suspected
- Anyone working directly with children and families undertake specific Safeguarding training
- All staff are required to be fully aware, understand, and comply with our Safeguarding Policy and all the related operational processes

Organisational representation:

- Ronald McDonald House Charities UK Chief Executive and Board of Trustees are responsible for the implementation of this policy
- The DSO and Deputy DSO are available during office hours for staff to discuss concerns - in cases of emergency during or outside of office hours they should be contacted via their work mobile numbers

What we do:

- All Safeguarding incidents will be fully reviewed
- An annual Safeguarding report along with formal Safeguarding reviews and analysis will be conducted
- The Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy and procedure is reviewed every two years
- Safeguarding is a regular agenda item at Executive meetings
- Safeguarding is a regular agenda item at our Trustee board meetings

Referral Contact List UK

NHS 111: 111

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC): 0808 800 5000

Police Non-Emergency: 101